

Recognizing Outstanding Service Excellence



Sierra Romesburg
Breast Center

Julie Schreiber from the Breast Center submitted the following nomination...

The Breast Center was without a nurse for about six months while we searched for a qualified applicant. Sierra stepped up and filled the gap, within her scope of practice, but above and beyond the duties of her job, to make sure that the gap was filled. She teamed up with Joan Laufer, RN to have her fill in for a few weeks (which ended up extending to a few months). Sierra took over some of the nurse duties herself, such as calling patients back when they just needed a reassuring voice to talk with about their cancer diagnosis. Sierra is so knowledgeable about breast cancer and the steps in treatment that she is able to speak intelligently about all of the procedures and treatments that we offer at OHSU. She has researched breast cancer on her own time so that she can educate patients on every aspect of what OHSU has to offer. Sierra takes her job very seriously. She has never been someone to utter the words "It's not part of my job description." I have seen her take on requests from patients that I thought were impossible and try every which way she can to make them happen for the patient. She never says no! It's her attitude that impresses me and her willingness to take on work above and beyond her duties. As well as her dedication to make the Breast Center a wonderful place to receive healthcare.

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